



NOAA FISHERIES

Find A Species

Find facts about the species we manage. Learn more about their biology and population status, where they live, the threats they face, and how we are conserving and studying each species.



Fish & Sharks



Sea Turtles



Whales



Invertebrates



Highly Migratory Species



Seals & Sea Lions





Dolphins & Porpoises



Corals

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Species News



FEATURE STORY

Update: DNA confirms Rare Bryde's Whale Off Florida is Gulf of Mexico Species

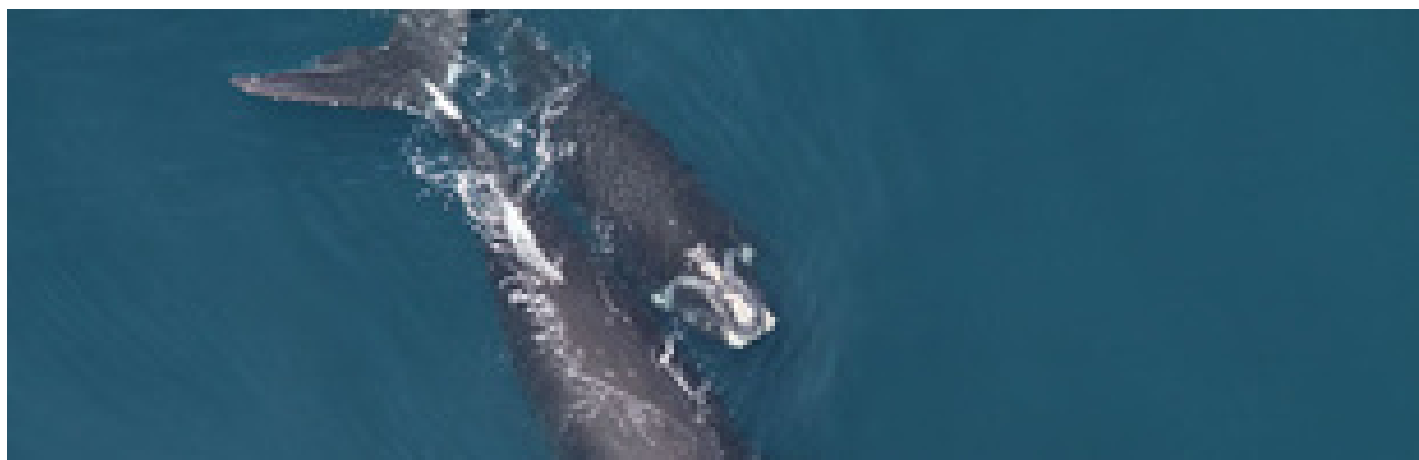
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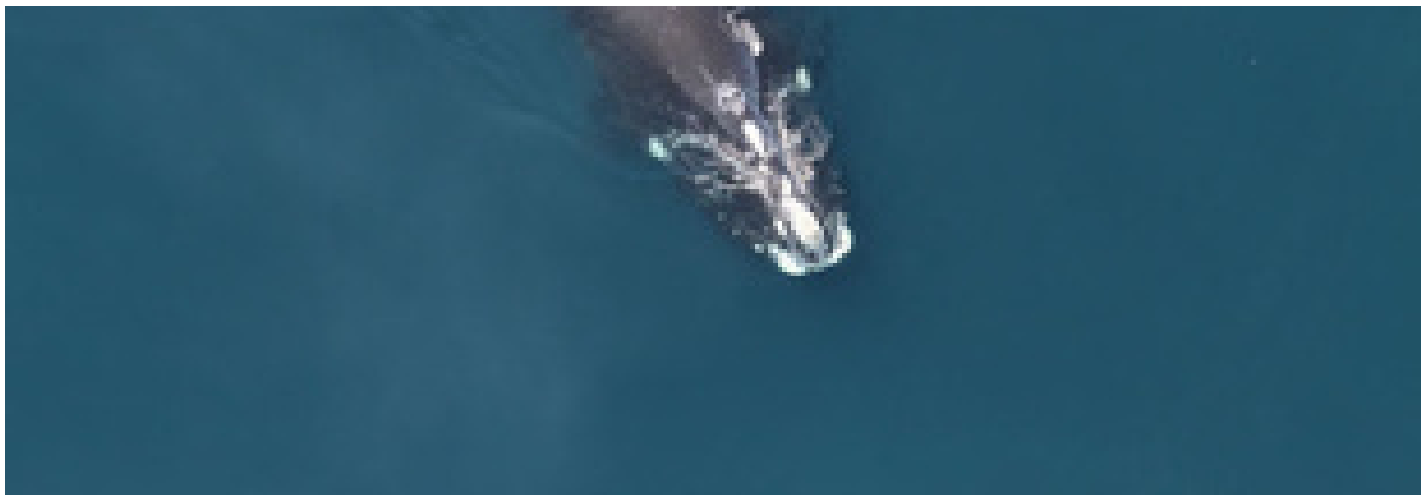


FEATURE STORY

Idaho plan safeguards wild steelhead, NOAA Fisheries review finds

West Coast



**FEATURE STORY****Extended Through March 29: Voluntary Vessel Speed Restriction Zone in Effect South of Nantucket to Protect Right Whales**

New England/Mid-Atlantic

Fish & Sharks

NOAA Fisheries manages 474 stocks or complexes under 46 fishery management plans.

Maintaining healthy fish populations is vital to our nation's economy—important for commercial and recreational use, integral to our coastal communities, and providing healthy sources of protein. We work to manage sustainable marine and migratory fish populations under the [Magnuson-Stevens Act](#) and protect any fish species listed under the [Endangered Species Act](#).

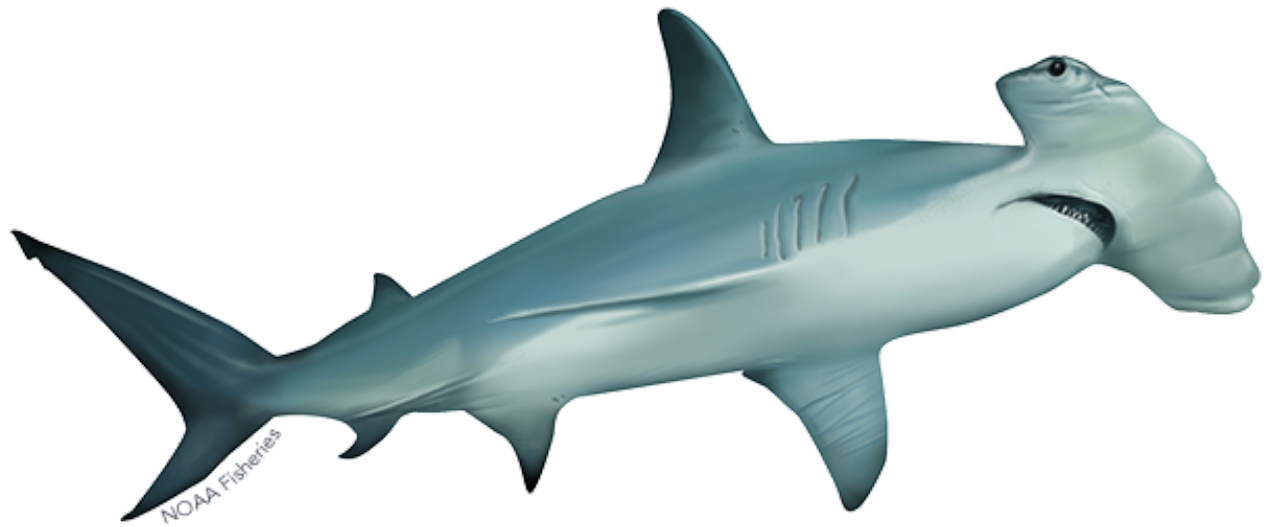
Learn more about the [fish we manage](#).



Red Snapper



Steelhead Trout

**Atlantic Sturgeon****Scalloped Hammerhead Shark**

Marine Mammals

Marine mammals are mammals that rely on the ocean to survive, such as dolphins, porpoises, whales, seals, and sea lions.. They are vital to the balance of marine ecosystems and are key indicators of the overall health of the ocean. All marine mammals are protected under the [Marine Mammal Protection Act](#).

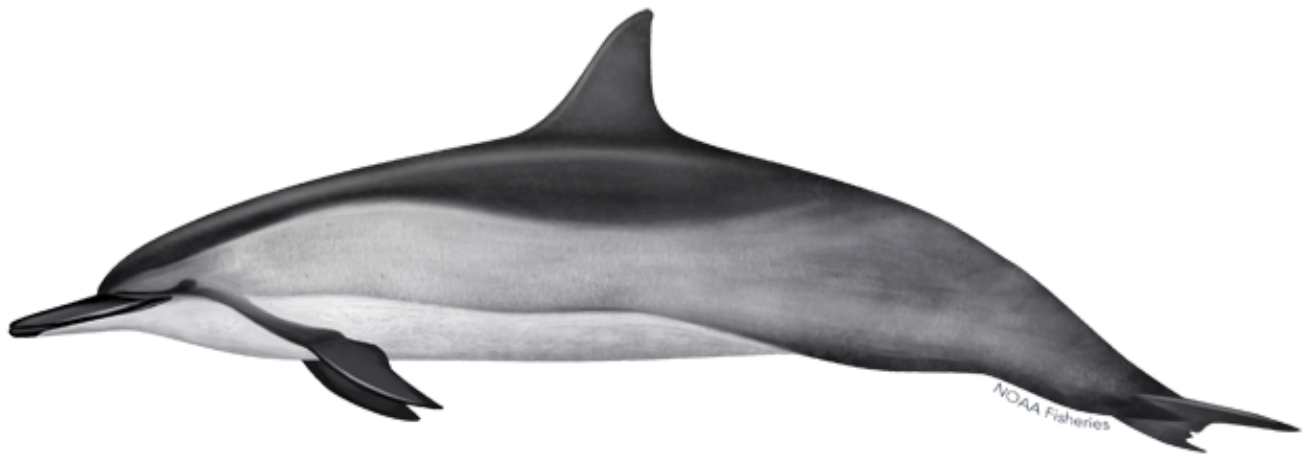
Learn more about how we [protect and conserve marine mammals](#).



Bryde's Whale



Steller Sea Lion



Spinner Dolphin



Bowhead Whale

Endangered & Threatened Species

NOAA Fisheries has jurisdiction over 161 endangered and threatened marine species, including 65 foreign species. Species diversity is part of the natural legacy we leave for future generations. We work to safeguard species at risk of extinction, of which there are two main groups—endangered and threatened species. A species is considered endangered if it is in danger of extinction throughout all or a significant portion of its range. A species is considered threatened if it is likely to become endangered in the future.

Learn more about [endangered species conservation](#).



Kemp's Ridley Turtle



Elkhorn Coral



Johnson's Seagrass



Guadalupe Fur Seal

Species in the Spotlight

Some species face bigger challenges to their survival than others. The Species in the Spotlight initiative is a concerted effort by NOAA Fisheries to rally individuals, agencies, partners, and institutions large and small to help save eight highly-imperiled species from extinction. We are working to boost recovery actions and raise awareness about these marine animals.

Learn more about our [Species in the Spotlight](#) initiative.



White Abalone



Coho Salmon - Protected

Beluga Whale



Hawaiian Monk Seal



Atlantic Salmon - Protected



Killer Whale



Leatherback Turtle



Chinook Salmon - Protected

Regions

Alaska

New England/Mid-Atlantic

Pacific Islands

Southeast

West Coast

